

WASHINGTON- Following a hearing of the House Subcommittee on Energy and Power, Rep. Lee Terry commented on the Energy Tax Prevention Act - legislation designed to protect American jobs by preventing the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from regulating greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act.

The bill prohibits the EPA from using the Clean Air Act to institute costly controls on greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide.

"The EPA has shown no hesitation about using its regulatory powers to enact cap-and-trade in any way they can. □ This legislation will prevent the agency from unilaterally imposing a costly cap-and-trade style regulatory tax on American energy production - a tax that will halt our economic recovery and hit American consumers in the pocket book.

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"The Clean Air Act is not a vehicle for a regulatory tax regime, nor it is a backdoor way to legislate costly cap-and-trade measures. □ Doing so would push up the prices of gasoline, food, electricity, and nearly every other product in our lives," Terry said.

